# GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
# HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE
# LOK SABHA

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HIV IN KERALA
PRABHUNATH SINGH

**Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:**

(a) whether the Government propose to declare Kerala hundred percent safe from HIV infection in view of the fact that not a single case of HIV was detected in Kerala State in last four years (i.e. between 1996 to 2000) as per the figures published in NACO publication, country scenario; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

## Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI A. RAJA)

(a) & (b) No, Sir. As per the HIV sentinel surveillance data, the State of Kerala has an estimated number of 1,69,340 HIV infections as on mid 1998.